Raiders down Altavista, 33-6

After a slow first quarter, the Raider varsity football team Friday night exploded for 33 points in the first three periods of play to record a 33-6 win over Altavista and raise the Appomattox season record to 3 wins and two losses.

Altavista scored first and carried a 6-0 lead out of the second quarter. But the Raiders retaliated quickly in the second quarter, as Rodney Bryant and Dennis Peshman both scored touchdowns. Bryant's touchdown came on a pass from quarterback Ron Carter.

Bryant and Peshman again scored in the third quarter, and Petey McIvor scored in the final period of play to complete the scoring for the game. The Raiders also recorded a two-point conversion and Phillip Agee kicked a successful one-point point-after-touchdown attempt.

"We were very pleased with the last three quarters of play," Coach Gary Cuccio said after the game. The coach noted that Appomattox only ran five offensive plays in the first quarter of play. The Raiders fumbled a punt inside their 15-yard line, and again couched up the ball on the nine-yard line, leading to the Altavista score.

"We felt we could move the ball on the ground, it was just a matter of getting things going," said Cuccio.

And, after the mistake-ridden first quarter, the Raiders did just that.

Appomattox ran up 288 yards rushing for the game, while holding Altavista to 70 yards rushing, 15 yards passing and four first downs.

The Raiders, along with their 288 yards rushing had 32 yards on six passes and ten first downs.

"The defense performed very well, and we were happy with the offensive performances after the first quarter," the coach noted.

"We felt that, for the most part, the offensive line played together as a unit very well," Cuccio said of the same against Altavista.

This Friday night, the Raiders will face off against a powerful Farmville, which is coming off a 50-0 shelling of Liberty High School.

"They are without a doubt a very good team, and we're expecting a very tough, very hard-hitting contest," said Cuccio of the upcoming game.

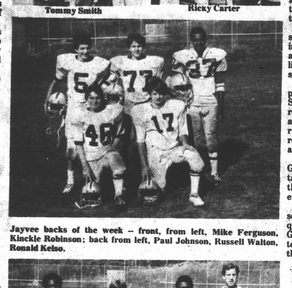
The Raider-Bee game begins this Friday night at 8 p.m. at Bragg Stadium behind Appomattox Middle School off Route 460.

Rodney Bryant

Roy Trent

Tommy Smith

Ricky Carter


Jayvee backs of the week -- front, from left, Mike Ferguson, Kinckle Robinson; back from left, Paul Johnson, Russell Walton, Ronald Kelso.

Jayvees win

The jayvee Raider football squad gained its second shut-out of this season Thursday, in a 20-0 victory over Altavista.

The Raiders went ahead 6-0 in the first quarter when quarterback Paul Johnson hit split end Ronnie Hamlett on a 40-yard pass. In the second quarter, the Raidees struck again, this time on the ground. Running backs Ronald Kelso, Ricky Turner, Mike Ferguson, Russell Walton and Kinckle Robinson all contributed gains in the drive.

Fullback Russell Walton scored the touchdown on a power play from five yards out. This time, the two-point conversion attempt was good as Paul Johnson hit slotback Kinckle Robinson in the end zone to give the Raiders a 14-0 halftime lead. This lead stood up thanks to a goal-line stand by the Raider defense. As time ran out in the first half, the Colonels were on the one-foot line.

The third quarter saw the Raiders keep the ball eight minutes of the 10 minutes in the period, although they scored only one more touchdown.

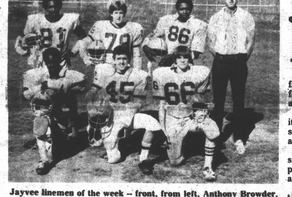
This third Raider touchdown was a 17-yard pass from quarterback Paul Johnson to end Lonnie Hamlett. The extra-point pass play fell incomplete. Reserves played most of the fourth quarter.

The two touchdown passes by Johnson were his sixth and seventh of this season. He went four for six against Altavista. The Raiders gained 453 total yards on offense, including 387 on the ground and 66 in the air.

"The backs were ready to run the ball tonight and the offensive line was super," said Raider jayvee coach commissioner Coach Howard Clabough after the game. "I think they were a little upset after losing 8-6 last week to Nelson," the coach added.

"It was a total team effort and Coach Pettyjohn did a super job with the defense that shut down the Altavista offense," Clabough concluded.

This week the jayvees will travel to Brookville for a 6 p.m. game Thursday.


Jayvee linemen of the week -- front, from left, Anthony Browder, Phil Bollinger, Lonnie Hamlett; back, from left, Carroll Patrick, R.L. Waldo, Carl Banks, line coach John Pettyjohn.

Rugby game set

The Historic Appomattox Railroad Festival is proud to announce a rugby football game on Sunday, October 11 at 2:00 p.m. at Bragg Stadium.

The Festival Committee said that they were pleased to obtain two of the finest teams in Virginia, the Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University Rugby Club and the Richmond Rugby Club. Both teams have had excellent records in the past and are considered two of the top teams on the East coast.

Tickets to the event will be on sale throughout Saturday, October 10, during the first day of the Festival and also on sale at the gate on Sunday. Prices are $1.00 advance or $1.50 at the gate.

When asked about the event, Town Manger Bill Britton said it was a real opportunity to bring a top-notch sporting event for the citizens of Appomattox County and their guests. He is hoping for a large turnout and good support from the community.

Four receive grid honors

Roy Trent and Ricky Carter were named the Raider varsity linemen of the week following Friday night's game, and Rodney Bryant and Tommy Smith were named the backs of the week.

Bryant, cited for his efforts from the offensive backfield, ran six times for 55 yards and received one pass for 17 yards. Bryant scored two touchdowns

Raider Review

By JANE GUILL

Activities at Appomattox County High School are well underway as the 1981-82 school year begins. According to Mr. Donald Armentrout, principal at ACHS, there are approximately 855 students enrolled.

This year not only the freshmen are new at ACHS, but also six teachers, Mr. Gary Cuccio, the new head football coach, also teaches U. S. government. Mrs. Cheryl Hyatt is a new addition to the vocational department, as well as Mrs. Sandra Frey. Mrs. Hyatt teaches distributive education, and Mrs. Frey teaches business. A graduate of Appomattox County High School, Mr. Thomas Terry has returned to teach Latin and Spanish. Miss Veronica Parsons is the new special education teacher. Last of all, the new voice in the music room belongs to Mr. Steve Lawrence, who teaches chorus.

Three computer terminals have been purchased for special use at ACHS this year. A computer mini-course will be taught to Gifted and Talented students. A computer science class is tentatively planned for next year.

The Drama Club has gotten into full swing. They are preparing a fall production of "The Fabulous Fable Factory," a children's musical. The Drama Club will be on tour and present the play to Appomattox Elementary and Primary Schools, and to Pamplin Elementary School. The main characters will be played by Susan Morris and Toby Brennon. Susan plays vocational department, as well as Mrs. Sandra Frey. Mrs. Hyatt teaches distributive education, and Mrs. Frey teaches business. A graduate of Appomattox County High School, Mr. Thomas Terry has returned to teach Latin and Spanish. Miss Veronica Parsons is the new special education teacher. Last of all, the new voice in the music room belongs to Mr. Steve Lawrence, who teaches chorus.

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The Raider Marching Band participated in a mass band at Band Day, in Richmond, Saturday. This year the band is young and small. There are only 43 members. They may be small in size, but they are definitely large in sound. They looked and sounded very professional at last week's home football game against Nelson. Because of the lack of bass instruments in the band, they have purchased an amplifier and bass guitar.

June Jenkins, a freshman at ACHS, is the featured majorette this year. She looks to be very dazzling and talented.

Both the Junior Varsity and Varsity cheerleaders have proven to be very dedicated as they cheer three nights a week. These changes have been done due to the scheduling of girls' basketball in the fall. The varsity cheerleaders have been hard at work selling candy, with the hope of raising enough money to purchase new parts for thier uniforms. Despite their busy schedule they are always there to cheer on Raider fans.

The sports program at Appomattox County High School has been going very well. The Raiderettes, under coach Mary Tolley have lost only two games. The Athletic Director's office has a new occupant, Mr. Howard Clabough.

According to Mr. Armentrout, this year at ACHS has had an "exceptionally good beginning." Appomattox County High School is looking good.

Girls fall to Rustburg then defeat Gretna

The Raiderette varsity basketball squad lost a close contest with Rustburg last Thursday, then came back on Thursday to defeat Gretna for the team's eighth win of this season.

The Raiderettes played Rustburg close throughout Tuesday's game. Rustburg outscored the Raiderettes 10-8 in the first quarter, and carried a 26-25 advantage into the locker room at half time.

Rustburg pulled further ahead in the third quarter, scoring 19 points to the Raiderettes' 12. In the final period of play, the Raiders mounted a rally, but the 15 points Appomattox scored was not enough to overcome the Lady Red Devils' advantage, and Rustburg took the game 55-50.

Coach Mary Tolley said of the game, "It was an excellent team effort...we were very patient on offense, taking only 53 shots and making 21 for a 49 percent average. But, we got beat on the boards; 22 rebounds to their 32."

Lolita Preston led Raiderette scorers with 18 points, including eight for 12 from the floor and two for three on the foul line. She also had six steals and six assists.

Rhonda Jaggars recorded six points and six rebounds, Ruby Smith recorded 16 points, five rebounds, one steal and three assists, and Sandra Watkins recorded 10 points, eight rebounds, a steal and five assists for the Raiderettes.

Thursday's game against Gretna saw the Raiderettes take a 13-11 first-quarter lead, then to 29-18 as the first half expired.

The Raiderettes again outscored Gretna in the third quarter, 13-8, and held off a Gretna come-from-behind attempt in the final period to win the game, 53-38.

Coach Mary Tolley said of her team's performance against Gretna, "it was a very good defensive game, as we stopped the three big girls inside early (holding them to seven points in the second quarter).

While the Hens took an early lead 6-2 on their inside strength, the Raiderettes' outside shooting kept them in the game. And Ruby Smith broke the game open for the Raiderettes in the second quarter of play with ten points, as Lolita Preston added four points to that effort.

Preston's game totals included nine points, 11 steals, three assists, two rebounds and nine points. Smith led scorers with 22 points, and added to that seven rebounds, a steal and two assists. Rhonda Jaggars recorded eight points, eight steals, five rebounds, and two assists. Kim McGrath recorded six points, six rebounds, four steals, and an assist. Sandra Watkins had six points, six rebounds, one steal and an assist.

Coach Tolley added that Kaye Brown "came off the bench and did a good job, getting two rebounds and two points."

The Raiderettes went 40 percent from the floor in the first half and 24 percent in the second half for a 32 percent average during the whole game.

The team went nine for 14 from the foul line for a 64 percent performance, and recorded a total of 25 steals, nine assists, and 27 rebounds to Gretna's 26.

The Raiderettes were scheduled to face off against William Campbell Tuesday after the Times-Virginian deadline. Thursday the girls are scheduled to play Jefferson Forest at 8 p.m. at home. Next Tuesday the Raiderettes will travel to Nelson County for an 8 p.m. game.

Jayvee gridders cited for performance

Coach Howard Clabough was faced with a dilemma of sorts following Thursday's game against Altavista.

The team played so well, that it was impossible to pick a single lineman of the week and a single back of the week.

So, the coach decided to cite six linemen and five backs who played exceptionally well against Altavista.

-Linemen of the week and their performances are as follows: Lonnie Hamlett - (split end) two touchdowns receptions, four tackles on defense; Phil Bollinger - (offensive center, defensive tackle) six tackles; Carl Banks (offensive tackle, defensive guard) -- six tackles; Carroll Patrick (offensive tackle, defensive guard) -- six tackles; R. L. Walton (offensive tackle) -- had best game of season, including several key blocks; Anthony Browder (offensive guard and defensive tackle) -- six tackles.

Backs of the week and their performances include: Ronald Kelso -- 64 yards on ten carries on offense, four tackles on defense; Paul Johnson -- four for six passing for 66 yards and two touchdowns, four tackles on defense; Russell Walton -- nine carries for 33 yards and one touchdown on offense, eight tackles on defense; Mike Ferguson -- four carries for 31 yards on offense, three tackles on defense; Kinckle Robinson -- 49 yards on four carries, two tackles on defense.

Youth teams: tough start

Saturday night the Appomattox Mites, Midgets and Varsity little league football teams went down in defeat at the hands of the three visiting teams from Rustburg.

In the opening game, the Captains for the Mites were Keith Abbitt and Tyrone Gafford. Appomattox won the toss and elected to receive. The first quarter was a back-and-forth battle for possession of the football. Early in the second quarter, Rustburg dashed over the goal line to score. The point after was no good. The second half kickoff was taken by Rustburg and led to the second touchdown and the Mites, though battling with great courage, fell to a 0-12 decision.

The Captains for the Midgets were Bryan Elder and Denny Drinkard. Rustburg surprised the Midgets' defense with a touchdown in the opening minutes of the contest. The point after was no good. The Midgets' defense again failed to hold the Rustburg line and the score was 12-0. With only seconds remaining in the first quarter, Rustburg again drives over the line of Appomattox for another 6 points. In the second quarter Rustburg's touchdown was nullified by a clipping penalty. The Midgets' defense was sparked by Leroy Wooldridge as he dropped Rustburg's quarterback for a 14 yard loss. But once again, with possession of the football, Rustburg makes it 24-0 at the half.

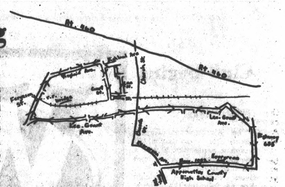
Early in the third quarter, Leroy Wooldridge was injured on the play and was given a hand by the crowd as he was carried off the field by the Rescue Squad.

Rustburg's offense proved superior and again scored, making the final score a disappointing 36-0.

The Varsity Captains were Keith Fanny and Tracy Tweedy. Rustburg ran up against the strong defense of Appomattox forcing them to relinquish the football early in the game. The Varsity's offense played well and carried the ball down to the Rustburg 15 before it ended at the 3 yard line. With possession of the ball, Rustburg ran for a touchdown on a clipping penalty against the offensive team, the score remained 0-0 at the end of the 1st quarter. The second quarter was a battle back and forth, plagued by fumbles, penalties and injuries. The half ended with the score 0-0.

Early in the third quarter, Rustburg scored but the point after was no good. Appomattox then goes to the air and is intercepted by Rustburg. David Jones #17 is shaken up on the play. Following another 15 yard penalty against Rustburg, the offensive drive is stopped, as the ball is fumbled and Appomattox recovers. Anthony Kelso #6 is shaken up on the play followed by #60 Tracy Tweedy. After a failed attempt by Appomattox to stop Rustburg, the game ends with 6-0 on the scoreboard.

APPOMATTOX YOUTH FOOTBALL association varsity team scraps with Rustburg in little league football action last weekend.



ROUTE OF JOE SWEENEY 10K run. Roads will be closed off from time to time during the race.

Joe Sweeney Classic

Systems 'go' for 10K run

All systems are go for the running of the Joe Sweeney 10K Classic, which will begin at 1 p.m. this Saturday at Appomattox County High School.

The race, which is being sponsored by Farmers National Bank, covers 6.2 miles over gentle rolling hills and is AAU sanctioned.

The men's course record time is 31 minutes, 20 seconds, and the women's course record time is 42 minutes, 52 seconds.

Entry fee for the race is $6, with walkup registration from 11 p.m. to 12 p.m. on the day of the race. Free parking and showers are available.

Race tee-shirts will be awarded to the first 200 entries, and trophies will be awarded to the first three finishers in the 15 age categories, according to race coordinator Ronnie Stevens.

In addition, trophies will be awarded to the first two men and women from Appomattox who finish the race.

Runners will be grouped according to their expected times, according to Stevens.

The race, part of the ninth annual Historic Appomattox Railroad Festival, is named after Joe Sweeney, an Appomattox native who invented the five-string banjo.

Time will be given runners at every mile, and aid stations will be available at the two-mile and the four-mile posts.

Accurate time lists will be mailed to runners after the race.

Hager to run in Sweeney race

Bob Hager, 53 years old from Richmond, Kentucky describes himself as a slow but steady runner. He has been running for 4½ years and has participated in over 100 races (most of them 10K).

He has run in the Gasparilla 15K in Tampa, the Mini-Marathon Kentucky Derby Festival in Louisville, the Diet Pepsi 10K in Washington, D.C., the Cincinnati Heart Mini-Marathon, and the Bluegrass 10K in Lexington.

His practice runs have included jaunts through Mexico, Hawaii, Switzerland, Germany, and England. He entered a 10K race in Dartford, England on August 1 but couldn't participate because of last-minute heel injuries. He plans to run in the Bermuda 10K in January.

Bob's best time for the 10K is 48:08 and he vows to try to break 48 minutes in the Joe Sweeney Classic. His cousin, Mrs. Peggy Marshall, enticed him to enter the race with a promise of free room and food. Bob's comment: "Bill Rogers doesn't get a better offer than that."

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Renovations complete

Renovations are complete on the "new" Country Fare restaurant located in the Avalon building in Appomattox.

Mrs. Nancy Lawson, who has been owner-manager of the existing restaurant for three years, has overseen a facelift operation which has included a name change, paving by David Nash, and painting by Warren Moore.

Debbie Rush assisted in sign painting and interior decoration, which now boasts a country theme with displays of antique tools, bottles, jars, barrels, and more. Country Fare is proud to offer the diners of Appomattox luncheon feasts of down-home country cooking from the kitchen of Cathy Christian who prepares daily specials such as pan-fried chicken, meatloaf, and country steak, along with stewed tomatoes, corn pudding, and dried beans. Many other specials, vegetables, sandwiches, and desserts are also available.

Hours of operation are 8:30-3:00 Monday through Friday (closed weekends). Mouth-watering breakfasts are served daily. Country Fare, which seats approximately eighty, is available for breakfast, meetings, and at night for banquets, with the same country cooking.

And, later this fall, Country Fare will become Appomattox's first dinner theatre with a production of Neil Simon's "Plaza Suite" following a delicious buffet. Nancy Lawson and her Country Fare crew--assistant manager Sue Lawson, Cathy Christian, Lucy Johnson, and Peggy Eagle--invite you to come by and visit their "new" restaurant, adjacent to the Avalon Club which provides Saturday night country music entertainment by Bob Honeycutt and the Piedmont Playboys.

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Business News

[Photo by Allen Austin]

GEORGE HERBERT JAMERSON, SR., right, president of Jamerson Brothers Trucking Company, Inc., is shown presenting a plaque and a gold watch to Vincent Patterson, an employee, for 21 years of dedicated service. The presentation was made at a Safety Meeting of the company held on September 12 at Maude's Restaurant.

Historic arts & crafts part of depot

By FRANCES H. PAULETTE

On Main Street, Appomattox, there is a shop full of beautiful things....for gifts, for the home, and for collectors. It's called the Historic Appomattox Station Arts and Crafts Center and it's housed in the old Norfolk and Western Railroad Station.

The Center was organized in 1974 and now has 35 active members. It is a membership organization limited to Appomattox County residents. There are, however, certain exceptions. If a craftsman out of the immediate area has an unusual craft or something of special interest, they are permitted to participate.

The Appomattox Station served as a flag stop for the rural community of the newly formed county of Appomattox in 1865. Not only was the railroad the lifeline of communication in those days, it also served as a kind of community center or gathering place. Residents would gather, not only to watch the trains come and go but to exchange gossip and goods alike.

In 1932 the old frame station was replaced by a brick building following a fire on Main Street. For more than 30 years the station was the center of activity in Appomattox.

In 1970, the station was abandoned by the railroad, and in 1973 the Norfolk and Western Railway deeded the idle station to the town of Appomattox. In a short while, local craftsmen leased a portion of the station from the town and the Arts and Crafts Center was born.

Among the items for sale are quilts, designed and quilted with care. One quilt, "American Sampler", took approximately one year to complete.

Other consigned items include ceramics, wooden toys, paintings, old fashioned tatting, rugs, wall hangings, mugs, stuffed animals, crocheted and knit items, dolls, leather items, and gifts for all occasions.

The center opens in May for weekends only; beginning in June it is open daily except Wednesday and Sunday.

President of the H.A.S.-A.C.C. is Virginia Beard;

S & L to observe holiday

American Federal Savings and Loan Association will be open on Oct. 12, according to Mike Weiss, manager of the Appomattox branch.

The local savings and loan association will be closed on Oct. 19, however, in observance of Yorktown Day.

PRODUCE FOR SALE -- Local enterpriser Percy Thompson says this year's pumpkin crop is one of the biggest he's ever seen. Thompson, who sells produce on Church Street in Appomattox across from Poe Hardware, has a variety of unusual shaped pumpkins, as well as peppers, potatoes and other produce for sale.

Letters to the Editor

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We have asked and asked and asked the highway dept. to post the road, to slow traffic down just through the division of homes. Due to rules and regulations our chances of achieving this are next to none. We have asked for a sign alerting drivers on this road to watch for pets or children. They say that gives parents false security so their children can be in the road. I think they're full of bull! I do not want my children or pets in the road!

Our local police and highway patrol do not have the manpower or the extra money to patrol our roads. Their hands are tied because the state will not post these roads in places like ours. I keep getting the impression that no one cares. People are doing their jobs and nothing more, and it's easy to blame the problem on the other guy and forget about it. Sooner or later a child is going to be killed.

I will get over the loss of my pet sooner then I will the loss of my child. The only person who will remember after the funeal is over will be me, the parent.

The problem remains and I know I'm not the only parent in this county with this problem.

Please, everyone slow down. Watch for children and pets. If you are near a home just watch. Children and pets have a way of being where they shouldn't be sometimes.

Laws are made to help people. If there is a law or regulation that is needed then the people that we vote into office should help. They can change the way things are. Write to your Commonwealth Attorney or your local paper. If we the people don't speak up, then how can we expect our leaders to hear??

An animal should have rights too! Especialy the right to live! They do have feelings. Have you ever been loved by a pet? I've seen them hunger, hurt, happy and down right sad, and yes, they do love back. What's the use of being in a hurry if you have to kill something along the way? I know accidents happen. What has happened on our road has happened too many times. This is not the first time people have stood watching. We know, we saw and we see. Some of us have a deep fear inside. We're afraid that one day when we walk to the road, we'll see a child lying there. A man should be responsible for what he kills, if it was no accident, as in this case. Somewhere, someday it'll happen because someone didn't care enough to give a few seconds to spare a life.

Perhaps it will be my son or your son or your neighbor's. We need to care enough to correct this problem in our community or to make the person responible for his actions. Please help!

Sincerely,
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Jamerson Bros. notes 32 years

By FRANCES H. PAULETTE

Thirty-two years of successful trucking...that's the record of Jamerson Brothers Trucking Company, Inc.

"I finished the seventh grade and went straight to work," said George Herbert Jamerson, Sr., president of the company; "my teachers and my parents pleaded with me to continue in school but I was hardheaded and wouldn't listen to them. There have been times when I have regretted it, but all in all, things have turned out pretty good."

The company, specializing in both interstate and intrastate hauling was begun in 1949 when Thomas and Herbert Jamerson, with the help of their father, the late Oscar Jamrson, organized the company. They started doing business with a Chevrolet Tractor and a 3,600 gallon petroleum tank. At that time they were hauling petroleum from Richmond to Appomattox for the Appomattox Hardware Company, approximately eight loads per month.

The first regular employee was George C. Franklin, known to his friends and fellow workers as "Shine". Although, according to Franklin, he was given the nickname when he was in grade school, the name really 'fits' when he's on the job. It seems "Shine" is always polishing on his truck; in fact, he is so careful with his truck he doesn't allow anyone to smoke in it, not even the wife of the boss!! According to Jamerson, Franklin is just as dedicated to his work as he is to keeping that truck immaculate.

Franklin easily remembers his first day on the job with exception of Patay work for the company. The Jamersons have six grandchildren and one great grandchild.

"I believe," says Janice, "the success of the business is due to the management, hard work and dedication of my father."

Jamerson does work hard; he gets to work by 6:30 and works half day on Saturdays. And, he added, "I'm available to our customers almost any time at home."

Jamerson continued, "We've done well, but it didn't come easy. You have to have customers to do business and you have to take good care of those customers. We have tried to do that."

Jamerson, who leads a busy life, is a member of Reedy Spring Baptist Church, Falling River Country Club, Woodmen of the World, American Legion, Virginia Highway Users Association, and the Lynchburg Traffic and Transportation Club. He served with the 9th Infantry Battalion in Germany in World War II.

With a lot of hard work and dedicated employees and good customers we have grown into a small but successful company. We are proud of our employees and our customers who keep the company going," concluded Jamerson.

"All work and no play makes Jack a dull boy," so the saying goes. Herbert Jamerson realizes this and takes time out for golf and travel.

On one particular occasion he and his wife were on their way to Deltaville where they own a cottage. Enroute they decided that Deltaville would be just a bit too quiet. So, without a moment's delay they changed Jamerson Trucking. He had set his alarm clock for a very early hour. He was due at the point of departure at approximately 1:00 a.m. Wouldn't you know it! He overslept. Jamerson, being an understanding man, went to Franklin's house, got him going and away he went!

The company, today, has 35 employees with 20 of those being trucks. Known as "The Trucking Experts" the company now has 22 trucks and 100 over-the-road trailers.

"We're always reminding our drivers to drive with care and consideration for the other drivers on the road. We have safety meetings twice a year," said Jamerson.

Truck drivers have many experiences that stick in their minds, some amusing and some a bit frightening. One particular incident that Franklin remembered was a trip, along with Herbert; the cargo was bags of potatoes. They were in New York City, stopped for a light; suddenly someone was helping themselves to a bag or two of potatoes. What did they do? Nothing!!

I remember," laughed Franklin, "Herbert said, 'let'em have the potatoes, I'm not going to get out there and argue with those New Yorkers!"

Jamerson Brothers Trucking Company, Inc. is a "family affair', so to speak. Jamerson's wife, the former Mildred Mays of Petersburg works in the office. "She kind of keeps us all straight," laughed Herbert.

The Jamerson's have four children; Patay Jamerson Moore, George Herbert Jamerson, Jr., Janice Jamerson McCormick, and Dennis Jamerson. All of the children with the their plans. Driving to Dulles airport they boarded a plane for Las Vegas and a weekend "not quite so quiet!"

Thirty-two years of hard work...hard work that's made for a successful trucking business, that's the story of Herbert Jamrson and Jamerson Brothers Trucking Co., Inc.

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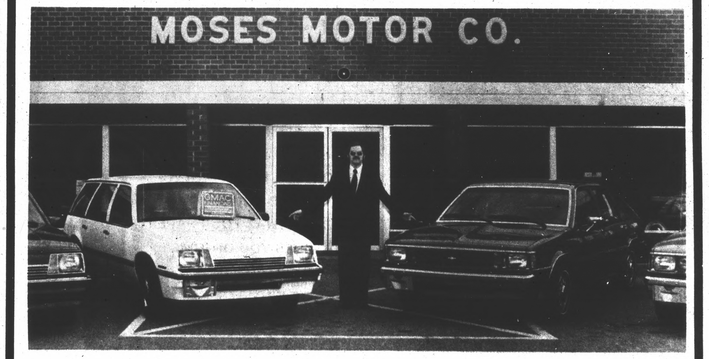

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